Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-identified application:

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A charge calculation apparatus comprising:

first calculation means for calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied to create and/or edit data~~ , which creates data to be processed by an external device; and

second calculation means for calculating a charge for using ~~a data input/output~~ the external device, which ~~inputs data that should be edited~~ processes the data created by the application software ~~or outputs data that has been edited by the application software~~.

Claim 2 (Currently amended): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~said first calculation means~~ the application software creates and/or edits document data.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein ~~said data input/output~~ the external device comprises at least one of a printer, scanner, copying machine, server, facsimile apparatus, and external storage device.

Claim 4 (Currently amended): A charge calculation apparatus comprising:

first calculation means for calculating a charge for using a device for inputting or outputting data; and

second calculation means for calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied~~ to use the device.

Claim 5 (Original): The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the application software is stored in said charge calculation apparatus.

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Claim 6 (Original): The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the application software is provided through a network.

Claim 7 (Currently amended): A charge calculation method comprising:

a first calculation step of calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied to create and/or edit data~~ , which creates data to be processed by an external device; and

a second calculation step of calculating a charge for using ~~a data input/output~~ the external device, which ~~inputs data that should be edited~~ processes the data created by the application software ~~or outputs data that has been edited by the application software~~.

Claim 8 (Currently amended): The method according to claim 7, wherein the ~~first calculation step~~ application software ~~comprises creating~~ creates and/or ~~editing~~ edits document data.

Claim 9 (Currently amended): The method according to claim 7, wherein the ~~data input/output~~ external device comprises at least one of a printer, scanner, copying machine, server, facsimile apparatus, and external storage device.

Claim 10 (Currently amended): A charge calculation method comprising:

a first calculation step of calculating a charge for using a device for inputting or outputting data; and

a second calculation step of calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied~~ to use the device.

Claim 11 (Original): The method according to claim 10, wherein the application software is stored in a computer.

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Claim 12 (Original): The method according to claim 10, wherein the application software is provided through a network.

Claim 13 (Currently amended): A computer-readable storage medium which stores program codes of a charge calculation method, comprising:

a code of a first calculation step of calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied to create and/or edit data~~ , which creates data to be processed by an external device; and

a code of a second calculation step of calculating a charge for using ~~a data input/output~~ the external device, which ~~inputs data that should be edited~~ processes the data created by the application software ~~or outputs data that has been edited by the application software~~.

Claim 14 (Currently amended): A computer-readable storage medium which stores program codes of a charge calculation method, comprising:

a code of a first calculation step of calculating a charge for using a device for inputting or outputting data; and

a code of a second calculation step of calculating a charge for using application software ~~applied~~ to use the device.

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